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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Marcos Novaes

Serial No.: 09/893,789

Group Art Unit: 2172

Filed: June 29, 2001

Examiner: Anh Ly

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SPATIAL INFORMATION RETRIEVAL FOR
HYPERLINKED DOCUMENTS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION AND
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 29, 2004, please consider the
following:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW AND REMARKS

On September 20, 2004, the Examiner contacted the undersigned regarding an oral restriction. On September 30, 2004, the undersigned contacted the Examiner and elected Group I. However, the Examiner indicated a formal Restriction Requirement had been mailed out.

Thus, in response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I (e.g., drawn to indexing data blocks as defined by claims 1-17, 22-39, 44-45 and 47), without traverse. Applicant reserves the opportunity to file a Divisional Application for the non-elected invention later.

Early, favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

A conditional petition is made for any extension of time which may become necessary. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees for such extension and to credit any overpayment in fees to Assignee's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully Submitted,



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